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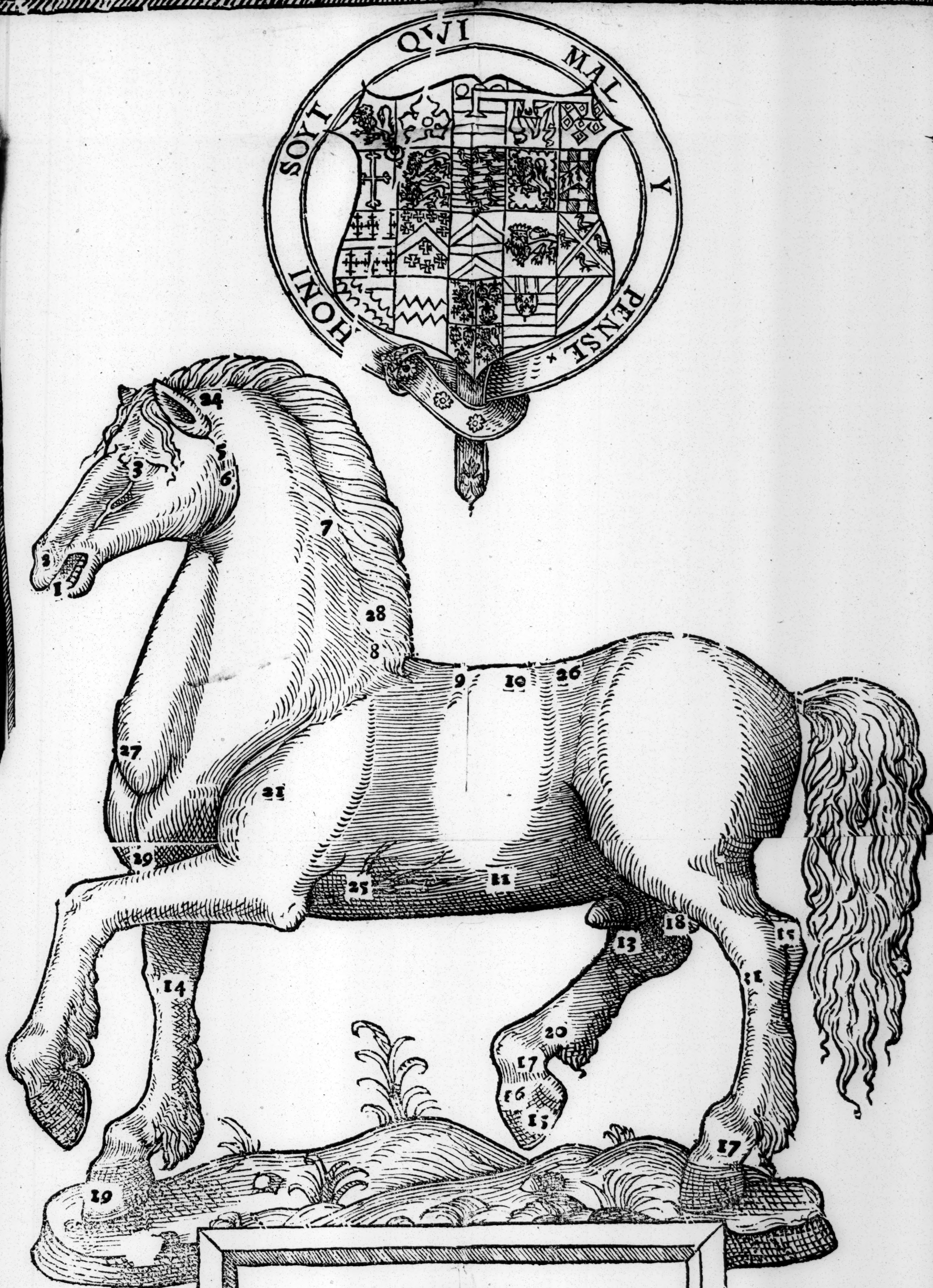
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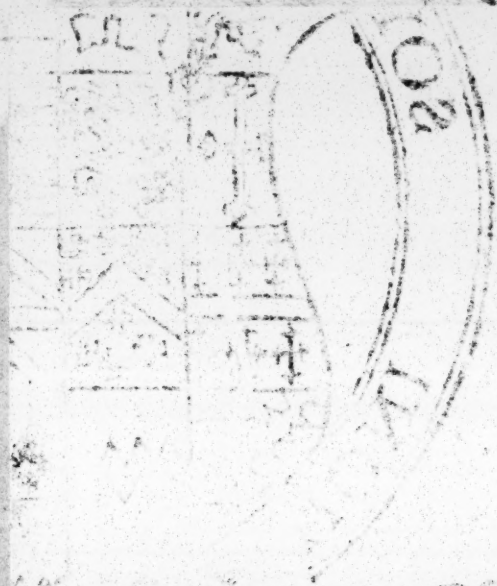
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To the Reader.

Who so thou be that hast an Horse, well shap'd in echell mine,
Of noble race, of courage haute, both nimble, swift, and trimme,
And dost desyre by learned doze, to keepe him fine and fayre,
To helpe and heale ech harmefull hurt, that may his health appryze,
This little Treatise shall thy care in his behalfe relieue,
And for that purpose good preceptes shall presently thee giue,
Marke well this Figure fyrst, and then ech number seach in scan,
What place he hath, and where he standes vpon this picture than,
Then turne the Booke, and wherethou shalt like number nored finde,
The name and cure of that disease, is to that place assignde.
Thus when thou hast the cause and cure of each disease by Arte,
And cunningly canst it apply to each diseased part,
Giue thanks to him that for thy wealth and for his countreys sake,
This fruitfull Treatise to compile, the paynes did vnder take.



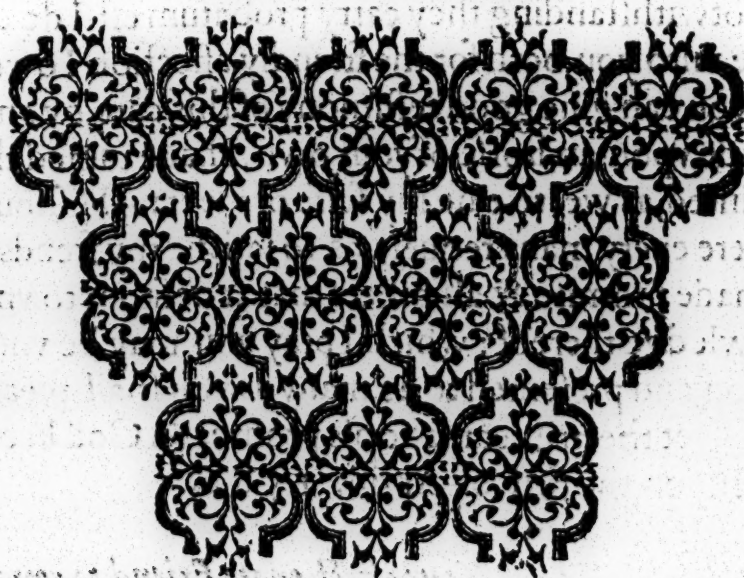
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A plaine and easie waye to remedie a Horse that is found- dered in his feete.

By which (vsing this remedy within xxiij. houres
after his instant foundering) you maye within xxiiij.
houres after the Cure vsed, trauell your Horse and
journey him at youre pleasure, as if hee
had not beene founde-
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Set out by *Nicholas Malby Gentle-*
man Seruant to the *Queenes most*
Excellent Maiestie.



Imprinted at London, by
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1588.

To the right Worshipfull Maister Edward Fitzgerald Esquire, Licutenant of the Gentlemen Pensioners.

SIR at my late being at the court, which as I remember was about xii. moneths now past at what time I came out of Ireland, and now againe at my present being here, I have bin requested by sundry honest gentlemen, some my good friends & old acquaintance, some other who knowing more my name then my selfe, haue repaired vnto mee with like request to instruct them in the curing of a foundered horse, whose fauours did mooue me to promise vnto them to put the same in print. Partly to make a present therof to all my countrymen that eyther be or intend to be trauelers on horseback. Reputing it also conuenient to publish the same in common, the rather for that I iudge the poorest sort shall receiue most benefit by it. And because it is not meet that this excellent cure should want the reputation it deserueth, neither to be accounted a vaine thing, nor worthy the hauing as many be; that being printed haue small credit, notwithstanding they carry probatum est. I do dedicate the same vnto you, both for the friendly affection I owe you, & for that you can giue good testimony of this cure, by an experience made vpon an horse of your own; I haue caused the same to be printed, as wel to ease my selfe of the trauel I should haue to answer every mans request, as to satisfie my friends to who I haue made promise, & all others that are desirous to vnderstand the knowledge thereof: which I pray you may be vnder your protection, and presented to as many as you shall please, and of the rest let the printer make his profite. So God keepe you:
From London the first of Aprill. 1586.

Your affectionate Friend, to command,

Nicholas Malby

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Among many which diseases, doe raigne in a Horse, I haue seene that the foundering hath beene reputed the most difficult to bee cured. And as the goutte in man is accounted an infirmitye: incurable: so is the foundering in a horse (of most men) thought irrecoverable. I wish I could as well heale the one, as (by Gods sufferance) I can giue remedy for the other. I would as willingly present to you both, as I do this one, notwithstanding accept this as it is, and refuse it not, as sundry curious and scorneful Farriers haue done vnto me, who neither knowing how to remedie the disease, nor willing to learne, haue reiected at my handes the vnderstanding of the cure, & as it were in spite of art and cunning, cut out the soles of the horses feete (a thing commonly vsed among such ignorant persons,) by which any horse so misvsed, shal neuer haue his feete sound again, whatsoeuer they promise you. wherby this which I do here set out, neither shal you once remoue your horses shooes, neither yet touch any part of his hooft or feete, and yet shal your horse be as sound as euer he was. Farwell. London first of Aprill. 1576.

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 be loth to go: you must cause him to be let blood on
 his too best vains of his two fore legs, somewhat
 aboue y knees, let him also blood on his spur vains
 on both his sides, & on the veins of his two hinder
 feete, a little aboue the hoafe, between the hoofe &
 the pastorne, as you may perceiue by this picture.



Let the vaines bleede well to the quantitie of a
 quart, or three pints, which bloode you must saue
 in some vessell, and stir it with a sticke to keepe it
 from cluttering: and when he hath bled as aboue-
 said, put it all in one vessell, then stop the wounds
 with some horse doong, or some earth, and make a
 Charge

Charge with the blood in this sort.

Take as much wheate Meale, (as it cometh from the mill) as will make the bloode somewhat thicke and put it into that blood, take viii or x. eggs raw, and breake them also into this blood, shelles & all, take a pint of strong viueger, & a quantity of bole armoniacke braied, & put them into the same blood also: which done you shall stir them altogether. Then shall you with your hand lay the saide charge al along vpon y^e raines of the horses backe, vpon his buttocks, & downe his shoulders, as by this picture you may see.

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When you haue laide on this charge thus, you shall take two linnen ragges, dipped in the same Charge, with whiche two raggs so dipped yo shall garter the Horse aboute the knees of his two forelegges somewhat hard. That done cause him to be walked vpon the hardest ground you can find, for the space of two or three houres, if he be loth to go (as commonly he wil be) let one follow him and beate him with a stick or wand to force him to go. Then after this walking let him be set vp & tyed to the racke that he lye not downe, & there let him rest two or three houres, which done, let him bee walked againe two or three houres more as afore-
said. Then set him vp and let him feede, and when you giue him drinke, which you maye doe within two or three houres after his feeding, let the water be heate somewhat hote, and put some ground-
ed malt, or some branne into it, and let him drinke it blood warme, and feede a little after it. Then ride him a little, and if ye let him stand an houre or two in a poole of standing water vp to the bellye, and one vpon his backe, it is good to doe it, and after that ride him againe a little. Then let him be set vp, well dressed and couered and so by litle and litle ride him a daye or two, and then maye you boldlye iourney him, for it is ryding that bringeth the Horse to the perfittnesse of his fecte, & you shall find your horse as sound as ever hee was, for this cure is infallible, I haue my selfe helped and cured aboue a hundred horses, and for sunderie of them so cured by me, I haue good Testimonie of diuers Gentlemen now present at the Court.

Certaine

Certaine Notes touching this cure
to bee obserued.

It is not needfull for you to take of the horses
shoes, nor touche them at all, except it bee to
amend them for some other needfull cause.

You must after xiiii. houres rub of the charge
from the horses backe.

Take of the garters after xii. or xiii. houres, and
rub his knees vp and downe with your hands to
put the nummesse away.

You shall also vnderstande that I haue helped
many horses either without vineger or bole armo-
niack, for that I haue bin in place where I could
not haue it. I haue also vsed oten meale, when I
colude not haue wheate meale.

I haue also healed a horse by letting him blood
in the neck, when he would not bleed in the vains
before prescribed, and bled and compounded the
same blood, as aboue is written.

I do also sildome vse the standing of the horse
in a poole of water, as is before saide.

But if you do all as is first written, it is the best
& surest waie no doubt: if you bee in place where
you cannot attaine to all the premisses, you shall
make good shift with part of it, & surely I do find
that it is the taking of the blood, that is the cheefe
and principall cause of the cure.

And where I do write also that you must take
your horse in hand (to cure him) within twentye
foure houres after his first foundering, I thinke
good to let you vnderstand that it is best so to do, &

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yet did I once helpe a horse of mine own, that had
beene foundered five daies, and he was very well
cured, but he asked four or five daies more to come
to the perfittnesse of his feete, then vsually the hor-
ses doe that be taken in hand as abovesaid.

This cure hath also this vertue: that your horse
being once cured, shal not commonly or neuer fou-
der againe. I neuer heard of any that so did but
one, which was M. Edward Fitzgeraldes Horse
whom he helped presently again with y^e same cure
and he hath the same horse at this day as sound as
euer he was.

Thus much I haue thought good to saye, tou-
ching the obseruation of the cure vpon any neces-
sity, when you cannot be in place to prouide you of
all such things as be requisite for the same.

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